

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKETING DEPARTMENT

NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING

DOCKET NO. 2009-144-C

TracFone Wireless, Inc. ("TracFone") filed an Application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (Commission) for designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) pursuant to Section 214(e)(2) of the Telecommunications Act of 1934, as amended, S.C. Code Ann. § 58-11-100, and S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-690. TracFone seeks ETC designation solely to provide Lifeline and Link Up service to qualifying household South Carolina consumers. TracFone does not seek access to funds from the federal Universal Service Fund (USF) for the purpose of providing service to high cost areas. TracFone will provide Lifeline and Link Up service to qualifying customers requesting these services throughout South Carolina pursuant to the universal service program and in accordance with 47 C.F.R. § 54.202(a)(1).

TracFone is a reseller of commercial mobile radio service ("CMRS") throughout the United States, including the State of South Carolina. The Application reveals that TracFone has provided CMRS service throughout the State of South Carolina continuously for the past ten years. In South Carolina, TracFone obtains service from the following underlying carriers: AT&T Wireless, T-Mobile, US Cellular, and Verizon Wireless.

A copy of the Company's entire Application can be found on the Commission's website at www.psc.sc.gov under Docket No. 2009-144-C. A copy of the Application is also available from Debra McGuire Mercer, Esquire, 2101 L Street, NW, Suite 1000, Washington, DC 20037.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a hearing on the above matter has been scheduled to begin at **10:30 a.m. on Thursday, August 13, 2009** before the Commission in the Commission's Hearing Room at 101 Executive Center Drive, Saluda Building, Columbia, South Carolina.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination, should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **May 7, 2009**, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please include an email address for receipt of future Commission correspondence in the Petition to Intervene. *Please refer to Docket No. 2009-144-C.*

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify the Docketing Department, in writing, at the address below, the Office of Regulatory Staff at 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201, and Debra McGuire Mercer, Esquire, at the above address, on or before **May 7, 2009**, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. *Please refer to Docket No. 2009-144-C.*

Any person who wishes to be notified of any change in the hearing, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department, in writing, at the address below on or before **May 7, 2009**. *Please refer to Docket No. 2009-144-C.*

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding **MUST** present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100.

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